RETA Code of Conduct

The RETA Code of Conduct sets the professional standards required of all RETA members and certificate holders. RETA certification and membership affirms your agreement to abide by these standards to advance the integrity, honor and prestige of all persons and organizations in the refrigeration industry. By signing the RETA Code of Conduct you agree to strive to meet the following professional standards of behavior:

1. I recognize the urgency of protecting the health and safety of all personnel in refrigeration facilities and the public and agree to safely handle and operate refrigeration equipment and supplies at my level of knowledge, skill, and experience.
2. I accept responsibility for assuring that those persons for whom I am responsible will be qualified by training, education, and experience to operate the specific equipment in the refrigeration facility at which I am employed.
3. I will promote training and education of those refrigeration personnel with whom I come in contact to assure that they are qualified to maintain and improve the safety and energy-efficient operation of refrigeration facilities for which they have any responsibility.
4. I accept responsibility for my own continued professional development as well as that of those I supervise and will participate in appropriate certification and training activities to acquire, demonstrate, and maintain competence in the refrigeration industry.
5. I will comply with all laws, rules and regulations that apply to safe operation of refrigeration facilities.
6. I will act responsibly and with integrity in all refrigeration industry and RETA activities by adhering to high standards of professional conduct to protect the health and safety of employees, employers, the public and all others affected by refrigeration facilities and practices.
7. I will avoid conduct or practices that could discredit the refrigeration industry like deceiving or harming employees, employers, or the public.
8. I will provide accurate and truthful information related to all aspects of my RETA membership, certification and refrigeration training and experience.
9. I will follow all requirements established by RETA regarding references to my RETA certification and membership when describing my qualifications, training, and experience in the refrigeration industry.
10. I will cooperate with RETA in any investigation of test security, validity, conflicts of interest or possible violations of the RETA Code of Conduct that warrants my participation.
11. I will maintain open and constructive relationships with those governmental and regulatory authorities relevant to the refrigeration industry with the intent of fostering an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect on behalf of myself and those for whom I am professionally responsible.
12. I will refuse to engage in any behavior that could be perceived as a threat to the health and safety at refrigeration facilities, of other employees and the public. This includes but is not limited to problems with chemical dependency, substance abuse, verbal threats or physical violence that could adversely affect the safety of refrigeration facilities.
13. I will support RETA local chapters to advance local influence and adherence to the RETA Code of Conduct.
14. I agree to inform RETA without delay of any changes that restrict my capacity to perform competently, safely, and effectively without endangering the welfare of myself or others if I can no longer fulfill my obligations as a RETA-credentialed professional.
15. I agree to return any RETA credential to RETA if it is suspended or revoked.